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<b>PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES:</b>	<b>BOARD OF DENTISTRY AND DENTAL HYGIENE</b>
<b>MEETING DATE AND TIME:</b>	<b>Thursday, January 21, 2016 at 3:00 p.m.</b>
<b>PLACE:</b>	<b>Division of Professional Regulation 861 Silver Lake Blvd., Conference Room A Cannon Bldg., Dover, Delaware 19904</b>
<b>MINUTES FOR APPROVAL:</b>	<b>March 17, 2016</b>

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Dr. Thomas A. Mercer, DDS, Professional Member, Secretary  
Dr. Lucinda Bunting, DMD, Professional Member  
Dr. Sharon Welsh, DDS, Professional Member  
Dr. Bruce Matthews, DDS, Professional Member  
Carol Argo, RDH, Professional Hygiene Member  
Mary Trinkle, RDH, Hygiene Advisory Member  
Buffy Parker, RDH, Hygiene Advisory Member  
Rumiko Nelson, RDH, Hygiene Advisory Member  
June Ewing, Public Member

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

Brian McAllister, DMD, Professional Member, President  
Nathaniel Gibbs, Public Member  
Rozi Berberian, Public Member

**DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL PRESENT**

Jennifer Witte, Administrative Specialist II  
Jennifer Singh, Deputy Attorney General

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Pam Zickafoose  
Michelle Friedberg  
Vlad Damian  
Beverly Friedberg  
Eunice Kim  
Suzanne George

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Dr. Mercer called the meeting to order at 3:39 p.m.

## **EXAM SCORE REPORTING**

Dr. Mercer announced the examination scores.

## **REVIEW OF MINUTES**

Dr. Mercer stated that there was a continuing education activity that was review at the last meeting in which the Board had rendered a decision, however it was not noted in the minutes. A motion was made by Ms. Argo, seconded by Ms. Parker, to approve the minutes from the December 17, 2015 meeting as amended. The motion was unanimously carried.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

### **Review and Consideration of Proposal to Deny Order – Mimi Yeung**

After review, the Board signed the final order granting licensure.

### **Discussion of Proposed Regulations Regarding CODA Accredited Education and Fee-Splitting**

After a brief discussion relating to the per year gifting amount, a motion was made by Dr. Bunting, seconded by Ms. Parker, to approve the proposed amendments and move forward with a public hearing for the March meeting. The motion was unanimously carried.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Discipline and Compliance**

As compliance to her Final Order, Dr. Marieve Rodriguez sent in her tenth quarter review outlining her current practices and billing procedures, stating that 600 hours of community service had been completed, restitution payments paid as scheduled, and there have been no additional complaints filed against her.

### **Exam Score Reporting**

The scores were reported from the December exam.

## **COMPLAINT STATUS**

09-19-15

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

The Board received correspondence from members of the National Guard that were looking to participate in the Give Kids a Smile Volunteer Day. After a brief discussion it was decided that the Board will look further into this in addition to the addition of a volunteer license at the March meeting.

### **OTHER BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD**

Dr. Mercer expressed the importance of full participation for exam days. He added that the number of applicants that can sit for the exams are limited due to seating. During the last exam there were three candidates that did not show, which brings up the question of what can be done to prevent this or should there be a penalty imposed for not showing up on an exam day.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

### **NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be March 17, 2016 at 3:00 p.m. in Conference Room A.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, a motion was made by Ms. Parker, seconded by Dr. Bunting, to adjourn the meeting at 4:44 p.m. The motion unanimously carried.

Respectfully submitted,

*Jennifer L. Witte*

Administrative Specialist II